

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 24 May 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 25 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 24 May 2023 at 03:37 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in settled conditions, moderate confidence in cloud detail.

Headline for Wednesday 24 May 2023: A cloudy morning and early afternoon with a little light rain, sunny into the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 24 May 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Low Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Fog	Fog	Fog	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny
Precipitation probability					
40%	40%	20%	<05%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 24 May 2023

Weather: Low cloud with some patchy light rain will clear southwards from the Highlands by mid afternoon, leaving a fine end to the day with prolonged sunny spells, though Arran will take until evening to brighten

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% increasing to 90% by late pm.

Low Cloud and visibility: Low cloud, base 500-700m, clearing south by late pm though later in Arran. Poor or very poor visibility in association with the weak front but improving to very good into the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	23/28 SW	24/30 W	24/32 W	21/28 W	18/24 W	11/15 NW	12/15 NW
900	16/22 W	17/23 W	20/27 W	18/24 W	16/22 W	10/14 NW	7/11 NW
600	20/25 SW	17/23 SW	19/26 W	17/23 W	14/19 W	9/12 W	6/9 SW
300	10/13 SW	10/14 W	13/19 W	13/19 NW	11/16 NW	7/12 NW	3/6 S
Glen	7/14 SW	10/18 W	11/21 W	10/19 W	10/19 W	6/12 W	4/8 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	3/-3	2/-4	1/-4	0/-5
900	4/-1	6/1	7/2	7/3	6/2	4/-0	3/-0
600	6/1	7/3	8/4	9/5	8/5	6/3	5/2
300	8/5	9/7	11/8	12/9	11/8	8/7	7/6
Glen	10/8	12/10	14/12	14/12	13/11	10/8	8/7
Freezing Level*	3000m	3100m	1700m	1400m	1300m	1200m	1100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be aware of the cold feels like temperature at height despite the warm temperatures at lower levels.

Forecast for Thursday 25 May 2023

Weather: Dry and sunny throughout the day with patchy high cloud at times.

Maximum wind: Westerly 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good or very good visibility.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 rising to plus 16 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.